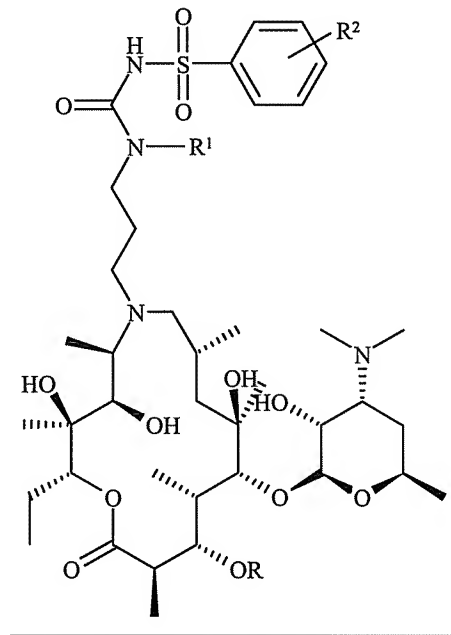


AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) ~~Substituted 9a-N-[N'(benzenesulfonyl)carbamoyl]-Y-aminopropyl] and 9a-N-[N'(β-cyanoethyl)-N'(benzenesulfonyl)-γ-aminopropyl] derivatives of 9-deoxo-9-dihydro-9a-aza-9a-homoerithromycin A and 5-O-desosaminyl-9-deoxo-9-dihydro-9a-aza-homoerithronolide A, novel semisynthetic macrolide antibiotics of the azalide series having antibacterial action of the general formula 1, 1- A compound of formula 1~~



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wherein R represents H or cladinosyl moiety group, R¹ represents H or (β-cyanoethyl β-cyanoethyl moiety group and R² represents a substituent selected from the group consisting of H, or fluoro, chloro and methyl group, and or a pharmaceutically acceptable addition salts salt thereof.

2. (Currently amended) Substance A compound according to claim 1, characterized in that R represents cladinosyl group and $R_1 = R_2$ R^1 and R^2 represent H.
3. (Currently amended) Substance A compound according to claim 1, characterized in that R represents cladinosyl group, R_1 R^1 represents H and R_2 R^2 represents 4-chloro group.
4. (Currently amended) Substance A compound according to claim 1, characterized in that R represents cladinosyl group, R_1 R^1 represents H and R_2 R^2 represents 2-chloro group.
5. (Currently amended) Substance A compound according to claim 1, characterized in that R represents cladinosyl group, R_1 R^1 represents H and R^2 represents 4-fluoro group.
6. (Currently amended) Substance A compound according to claim 1, characterized in that R represents cladinosyl group, R_1 R^1 represents H and R_2 R^2 represents 4-methyl group.
7. (Currently amended) Substance A compound according to claim 1, characterized in that R represents cladinosyl group, R_1 R^1 represents H and R_2 R^2 represents 2-methyl group.
8. (Currently amended) Substance A compound according to claim 1, characterized in that $R = R' = R_2$ represent R, R^1 and R^2 represent H.
9. (Currently amended) Substance A compound according to claim 1, characterized in that $R = R_1$ R and R^1 represent H and R_2 R^2 represents 4-chloro group.
10. (Currently amended) Substance A compound according to claim 1, characterized in that $R = R_1$ R and R^1 represent H and R_2 R^2 represents 2-chloro group.
11. (Currently amended) Substance A compound according to claim 1, characterized in that $R = R_1$ R and R^1 represent H, and R_2 R^2 represents 4-fluoro group.
12. (Currently amended) Substance A compound according to claim 1, characterized in that $R = R_1$ R and R^1 represent H, and R_2 R^2 represents 4-methyl group.
13. (Currently amended) Substance A compound according to claim 1, characterized in that $R = R'$ represent R and R^1 represent H, and R_2 R^2 represents 2-methyl group.
14. (Currently amended) Substance A compound according to claim 1, characterized in that R represents cladinosyl group, R_1 R^1 represents ~~(3-cyanoethyl)~~ β -cyanoethyl group and R_2 R^2 represents H.

15. (Currently amended) ~~Substance~~ A compound according to claim 1, characterized in that R represents cladinosyl group, ~~R₁~~ R¹ represents ~~p-cyanoethyl~~ β-cyanoethyl group, and ~~R₂~~ R² represents 4-chloro group.

16. (Currently amended) ~~Substance~~ A compound according to claim 1, characterized in that R represents cladinosyl group, ~~R₁~~ R¹ represents ~~p-cyanoethyl~~ β-cyanoethyl group, and ~~R₂~~ R² represents 2-chloro group.

17. (Currently amended) ~~Substance~~ A compound according to claim 1, characterized in that R represents cladinosyl group, ~~R₁~~ R¹ represents ~~p-cyanoethyl~~ β-cyanoethyl group, and ~~R₂~~ R² represents 4-fluoro group.

18. (Currently amended) ~~Substance~~ A compound according to claim 1, characterized in that R represents cladinosyl group, ~~R₁~~ R¹ represents ~~p-cyanoethyl~~ β-cyanoethyl group, and ~~R₂~~ R² represents 4-methyl group.

19. (Currently amended) ~~Substance~~ A compound according to claim 1, characterized in that R represents cladinosyl group, ~~R₁~~ R¹ represents ~~p-cyanoethyl~~ β-cyanoethyl group, and ~~R₂~~ R² represents 2-methyl group.

20. (Currently amended) ~~Substance~~ A compound according to claim 1, characterized in that R and R² represent H, and ~~R₁~~ R¹ represents ~~p-cyanoethyl~~ β-cyanoethyl group.

21. (Currently amended) ~~Substance~~ A compound according to claim 1, characterized in that R represents H, ~~R₁~~ R¹ represents ~~—cyanoethyl~~ β-cyanoethyl group, and ~~R₂~~ R² represents 4-chloro group.

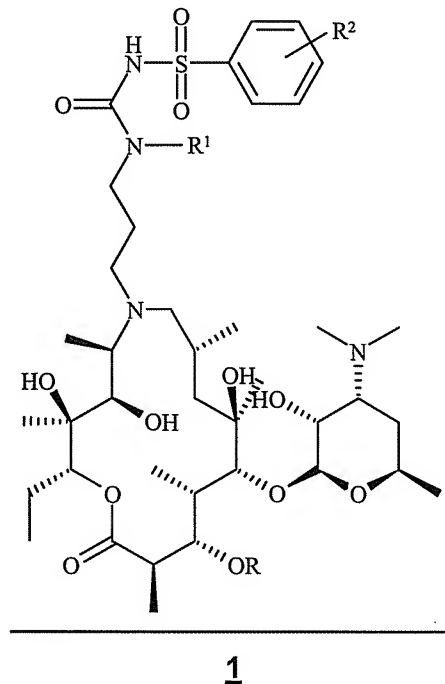
22. (Currently amended) ~~Substance~~ A compound according to claim 1, characterized in that R represents H, ~~R₁~~ R¹ represents ~~—cyanoethyl~~ β-cyanoethyl group, and ~~R₂~~ R² represents 2-chloro group.

23. (Currently amended) ~~Substance~~ A compound according to claim 1, characterized in that R represents H, ~~R₁~~ R¹ represents ~~—cyanoethyl~~ β-cyanoethyl group, and ~~R₂~~ R² represents 4-fluoro group.

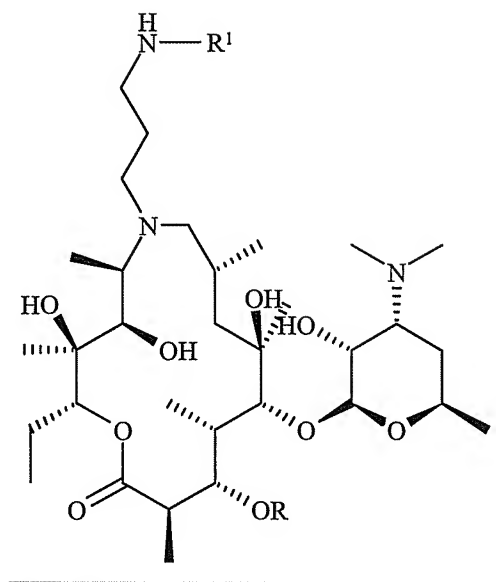
24. (Currently amended) ~~Substance~~ A compound according to claim 1, characterized in that R represents H, ~~R₁~~ R¹ represents ~~—cyanoethyl~~ β-cyanoethyl group, and ~~R₂~~ R² represents 4-methyl group.

25. (Currently amended) ~~Substance~~ A compound according to claim 1, characterized in that R represents H, ~~R₁~~ R¹ represents ~~—cyanoethyl~~ β-cyanoethyl group, and ~~R₂~~ R² represents 2-methyl group.

26. (Currently amended) A process for the preparation of 9a-N-
~~[N'(benzenesulfonyl)carbamoyl]-γ-aminopropyl]~~ and 9a-N-[N'(P-cyanoethyl)-N'
 (benzenesulfonyl)-carbamoyl-γ-aminopropyl] derivatives of 9-deoxy-9-dihydro-9a-
 aza-9a-homoerithromycin A and 5-O-desosaminy-9-deoxy-9-dihydro-9a-aza-9a-
 homoerithronolide A of the general formula 1, ~~1~~ a compound of formula 1,

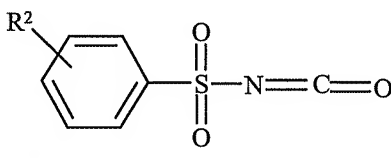


wherein R represents H or cladinosyl group, R¹ represents H or p-cyanoethyl
 β-cyanoethyl group, and R² represents a substituent selected from the group
consisting of H, fluoro or chloro and methyl group, characterized in that
comprising 9a-N-(γ-aminopropyl) and 9a-N-[N'(P-cyanoethyl)-γ-
aminopropyl] derivatives of 9-deoxy-9-dihydro-9a-aza-9a-homoerithromycin A
and 5-O-desosaminy-9-deoxy-9-dihydro-9a-aza-9a-homoerithronolide A of the
general formula 2, comprising reacting a compound of formula 2,



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wherein R represents H or cladinosyl group and R¹ represents H or β-cyanoethyl group is reacted with substituted phenylsulfonylisocyanate ~~general formula 3-3 of~~ formula 3



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wherein ~~R2~~ R² represents H, chloro, fluoro ~~and~~ or methyl group, in toluene, xylene or some other aprotic solvents, at a temperature 0°-110°C to form a compound of formula 1 wherein R represents H or cladinosyl group, R¹ represents H or β-cyanoethyl group, and R² represents a substituent selected from the group consisting of H, fluoro, chloro and methyl group, and then, if appropriate, to a reaction with inorganic or organic acids.

27. (Currently amended) A Pharmaceutical composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier and an antibacterially effective amount of ~~the substances~~ a compound according to claim 1.

28. Cancelled

29. (New) A method for inhibiting bacterial growth in vitro on a surface or in a substance comprising applying to said surface or substance a bactericially effective amount of a compound according to claim 1.
30. (New) The method of claim 29 wherein the surface is selected from the group consisting of a wall, a room, and a medical instrument.
31. (New) The method of claim 29 wherein the substance is selected from the group of wall coatings and wooden coatings.